

Minutes November 1, 2021  
Egremont Bylaw Review Committee

In attendance:

Mary McGurn, Chairwoman (MM)  
Steve Goodman (SG)  
Richard Slutzky (ROS)  
Robert Sandor (RBS)  
Eileen Vining (EV)  
Lucinda Vermeulen Guest (LV)

Chairwoman MM called the meeting to order at 4:04pm via Zoom; attending members were introduced.

**Approval of Minutes from October 13, 2022**

Minutes of the October 13 meeting were approved with minor changes. Members agreed future minutes should note the time when a member exits the meeting before its adjournment.

**All Boards Nov. 2, 2021 meeting:** Members discussed and offered suggestions on MM's proposed oral presentation to the BoS. MM encouraged members to attend the Zoom session.

**Bylaw 15: Sewers and Sewerage**

RS presented the current Bylaw with his recommended changes. After deliberating and discussing the proposed changes, members recommended modifying the language as follows:

**Any Septic system in the Town of Egremont must conform to State Department of Environment Regulations 13 CMR 15.000, The State Environmental Code, Title 5.**

**All septic systems that incorporate tight tanks as defined by the regulations listed above must have installed an alarm system which is triggered when the tank is 65% full and a 2nd alarm system which automatically shuts off water supply to the house when the waste water level reaches 90% of the tank's capacity. A tight tank is defined as a system using a watertight vessel having an inlet to receive raw sewage but no outlet and which is designed and used to collect and store sewage until it is removed for disposal.**

No motion on this modification of language was made; members agreed to a final review of the language at the Committee's next meeting.

**New Business:**

RS mentioned he had been approached by an Egremont citizen regarding the noise and air pollution created by leaf blowers. The members appreciated RS bringing up the citizen's issue, but agreed the Committee's focus should be on existing general bylaws and not on drafting new general bylaws.

The meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Slutzky